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"Why Worry About Enemies"

Says Lord Robert Cecil, Apostle of League of Nations and Friend of Jewish Homeland

Famous British Statesman, on Arrival in America, to Advocate League, Urges Jews to Listen to Weizman Not to Lord Beaverbrook

(An interview by our New York Correspondent).

"It is more important that the Jews of America should listen to Dr. Weizman than to Lord Beaverbrook."

With these words Lord Robert Cecil, illustrious British statesman, apostle of the League of Nations, and enthusiastic friend of the Jewish people, summarized the present situation which faces the Jews in the matter of rebuilding the Palestine homeland, a situation involving as principal factors the active hostility towards the movement of Lord Beaverbrook and other British anti-Semites, and the financial problem of developing Palestine in the interest of which, Dr. Weizman is at present visiting the United States.

LORD ROBERT CECIL
who arrives in the city to-day

Lord Robert Cecil, standing on the deck of the "Majestic" and looking with an intent and almost sombre expression at the tumultuous skyline of the American metropolis, was indeed an impressive figure. Tall, lithe, and loose-limbed, this scion of one of the oldest, noblest and most talented British families, has, as the French would say, "de la race." He has not, however, what the caricaturists of British nobility love to impute to the members of that class. He has neither snobbery or dullness. He is an aristocrat without being a snob, and he holds firm and lofty views without being either a pedant or a fanatic.

Lord Robert came to the United States primarily to arouse interest in the League of Nations in American influential circles. He can be easily coupled with Woodrow Wilson in power and influence, as an advocate of the League and as a molder of its constitution. Like Wilson, Lord Robert looks to the League to rectify the deficiencies and injustices which he finds in the Treaty of Versailles.

Far apart as the two things may seem in visible magnitude, the restoration of the Jewish homeland in Palestine is regarded by Lord Robert as one of the two greatest achievements of the World War, the other being the League of Nations. Speaking at a meeting in Albert Hall in London, July 12, 1920, which was presided over by Lord Rothchild and addressed also by Lord Balfour and Dr. Weizman, Lord Robert said: "I believe myself that when the history of the war comes to be impartially written, the two greatest results will be the establishment of a national Jewish home and the creation of the League of Nations. The two are not really disconnected. They represent the two great ideas for which we fought and by which we conquered, the ideas of nationalism and internationalism. They are not distinct or contradictory. On the contrary, they are complementary one to the other. You cannot have a league of free nations unless the nations are free."

Speaking in the same strain on the deck of the "Majestic," Lord Robert deprecated the importance which Jews were attaching to the opposition of such men as Lord Beaverbrook and other enemies of the Jewish people. "These men," said Lord Robert, "have no influence on the present British Government, nor will they have influence on any other Government which is likely to be established. I am an outspoken friend of the Jews and of their ideals. I am also a good Englishman, and I know that England will never go back on her word. Governments may change, certain lords may attack the Jews and Zionism, England, however, will stand firm for the realization of the Balfour declaration."

"Enemies?" continued Lord Robert, "of course, you have enemies. Every living and aspiring people has enemies. Jews must expect opposition just like any other people. Hasn't Great Britain enemies? And hasn't the United States enemies? Why worry about that? The Jews who have been living for two thousand years in different countries must expect attacks from various quarters. They should be proud, however, that they have good friends who will never leave them in the lurch. Let the Jews give heed to their friends. Let them realize the great historic opportunity which is open to them and they will stop worrying about the Lord Beaverbrooks."

Lord Robert inquired eagerly concerning the attitude of American Jews towards Palestine and their response to the appeal of the great leader, Dr. Weizman. He expressed the wish to be able to see Dr. Weizman and assist him in his work. "Although my calendar is pretty crowded," he said, "I would take great pleasure in addressing a Keren Hayesod meeting."

"It is more important," concluded Lord Robert, "that the Jews of America should listen to Dr. Weizman than to Lord Beaverbrook."

Lord Robert is a son of the famous Lord Salisbury, three times Prime Minister of Great Britain. One of the Cecils was Prime Minister during the reign of Queen Elizabeth. Since that time there has seldom been a Cabinet where the Cecils were not represented. Lord Robert has inherited the great qualities of statesmanship of his father. He entered the House of Commons in 1906 and promptly became one of the outstanding members of that body. Being a Conservative, his opportunity to serve on the Cabinet came only during the war, when he served on the Coalition Cabinet together with his cousin, Lord Balfour. His attitude towards the restoration of the Jewish homeland is much the same as that of his illustrious cousin, the views of both being grounded in philosophic and religious convictions based on the Bible and the principle of national rights.

HALF A TRILLION ROUBLES FOR MATZOS FOR POOR

Moscow (J. T. A.).—A fund of half a trillion roubles has been collected by the Jewish Religious Soviet, with which to buy Matzos for the poor. This sum, it is estimated, will buy more matzos than all the Russian bakeries, with their present comparatively limited facilities can bake.

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The Jew in French Literature

By ANDRE SPIRE

The author of this article is a French Jew who has achieved a unique place in French poetry.

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The winter months constitute in France the season of the great literary prizes, which to the French man of letters mean no less than the Grand Prix in the racing world. But whereas the Grand Prix marks the close of the racecourse season, the award of the literary prizes denotes the opening of the literary and social season in Paris. Immediately after returning from their summer vacation, the literary judges and umpires grow busy with matters about the award of the prizes, and the excitement runs high.

Who will get the Laserre Prizé, which is awarded annually by the Academie Francaise for the best set of collected works by a well-known author? Who will get the Goncourt Prize and the Balzac Prize, which are generally awarded for the best novels of the year? And who will get the Femina Prize, given by a jury of women for an important work of literature, preferably a work of imagination. The jury comprises some of the most brilliant members of the feminist world and of high society, the leading women writers in France, such as the Countess Mathieu de Noailles, Mary Duclaux (the wife of Mr. James Darmesteter), known to English readers as Mary Robinson.

The prizes were originally intended by their founders to help young struggling writers and the older men of letters, who preferred hard patient work to a big circulation. But, as a result of the enormous rise of prices which has absurdly reduced the pecuniary value of the awards, and because of the sporting spirit which has taken hold of French literary circles, the awards have become now a sign of merit and a theme for propaganda in the salons. They make no better the lot of the poverty-stricken writers who are just as badly off now as they were in the days when, according to Juvenal, poets were at times reduced to earning their livelihood by turning bath-keeper in Gabies, or having a baker's stall in Rome. They have, however, served as a powerful stimulus for literary production.

Three hundred novels were submitted for the Balzac Prize, which was founded by an army contractor, persuaded by a librarian to make this *beau geste*. Two were awarded the prize. One is "Job the Fatal" ("Job le Predestine"), by Emile Baumann, a Catholic professor who was led by his Catholicism to love the Bible, and in his previous book, "The Peace of the Seventh Day," took a decidedly pro-Zionist view of the Jewish question. The other is "Siegfried et le Limousin" by Jean Giraudoux, the most sceptical, the most refined, and the most cultured of all the young French literary men. He is not altogether unknown to readers in England and America, for his "Campaign and Intervals" has been translated by Miss Elizabeth S. Sargeant. His present novel is full of a gentle, fantastic shrewdness and tenderness which we usually associated with that sad smile which is found hovering about certain pages of Heine's "Reisebilder" or is heard in the Allegretto of Beethoven's Eighth Symphony. Giraudoux describes France and Germany after the war, the Frenchman and German of to-day. But here and there he amuses himself by showing the gulf separating the Jew, and above all the Russian Jew, the critic, the revolutionary, the idealist, the man of passion, from the German, who is above all, a scientific calculating machine. The same abyss separates Fraulein Eva von Schwanhofer, a German mistress, from Lillie David, an exquisite, refined Jewish girl, a being "to whom death was the least punishment and bliss the first reward."

Coming to the Gemina Prize, we find this awarded for a book entirely devoted to the Jewish question. It is a novel by Mr. Jacques Lacretelle, a young writer with a warm, sober style, his heart full of pity for human suffering and shortcomings. The novel is entitled "Silbermann."

"Silbermann" is the story of two school chums. One is a Jew, the other a Protestant. The Jew, Silbermann, is the most intelligent and most successful student in the class. He is persecuted by a group of young reactionaries and royalists who are scheming to make him the victim of a minor Dreyfus affair. The Protestant takes his part, protects him and shares his blows. Finally he is subjected to what is regarded by French students as the worst of punishments—he is sent to Coventry. His fellow-students look at him as if they do not see him, no one speaks to him, everybody tries to evade him as if he had the plague. This goes on for a long time, and Silbermann, who is devoted to his studies and is anxious to complete them no matter what the price, accepts this horrible situation.

But one day, after a succession of painful incidents, Silbermann's parents decide to break off his studies. Silbermann emigrates to America. Instead of becoming a French writer, he is going to be a clerk in his Uncle Joshua's jewellery business in New York.

Prior to his departure he pays a visit to his friend. It is a pity I cannot reproduce here in its entirety the conversation between the young Jew and his friend. "To be a Jew and a Frenchman, how fruitful such a combination could have been." What a hope to lose! I was anxious not to leave out anything of all you have written and thought. Was there any emotion in the world I did not feel when reading a work born of your genius!" But it is finished. It is impossible for him to stay in France. He is overwhelmed by outrages, by blows, he, whose only dream was to serve his country, France, and his friends. No-one asks why he is going to America to make money, to gather up coins, heaps of coins—a calling to which he seems to have been consecrated by his very name—*Silbermann*.

The years of dreams have passed. In America he will wed according to the traditions of his fathers. "Of what nationality, you ask, will my children be?" "I do not know," he says. "Of one thing, however, I am sure. They will be Jews. I myself will endeavour to make them know the greatness of our race and respect our beliefs."

This is the attitude which a young French writer of the best French society makes his Jewish hero adopt. Some of Mr. Jacques de Lacretelle's ancestors fought in the ranks of the old royalists, others took part in the most radical movements of their times. One of them was Pierre Louis Lacretelle, a lawyer at the high court of Nancy, who made an eloquent plea in defence of the Jews in 1777, long before the Abbe Gregoire and the great Mirabeau pleaded the Jewish cause, and he can, therefore, be justly considered one of the first champions of Jewish emancipation. Certainly, the attitude of his descendant, Jacques de Lacretelle, leaves no doubt that in the France of to-day there are certain things which have changed since the day when, in order to show on the stage a brave Jew, Henri Bernstein, a very courageous Jew himself, was compelled to create a snob infatuated by nobility who wandered into high society and was eventually insulted and cast off by his friends the barons, the princes and the dukes.

Since that day the works of Zangwill have penetrated into France and have helped Jewish writers and French Jews as a whole to regain their Jewish consciousness and their self-respect. The French have begun to appreciate this attitude and to respect it even while fighting against it. It is nothing unusual nowadays to find in French journals, even in the most anti-Semitic articles devoted to a most impartial and even to a respectful consideration of the works of Jewish writers. Zangwill is now known, admired and loved in the best literary circles in France. Government institutions in France have come to respect the Jews.

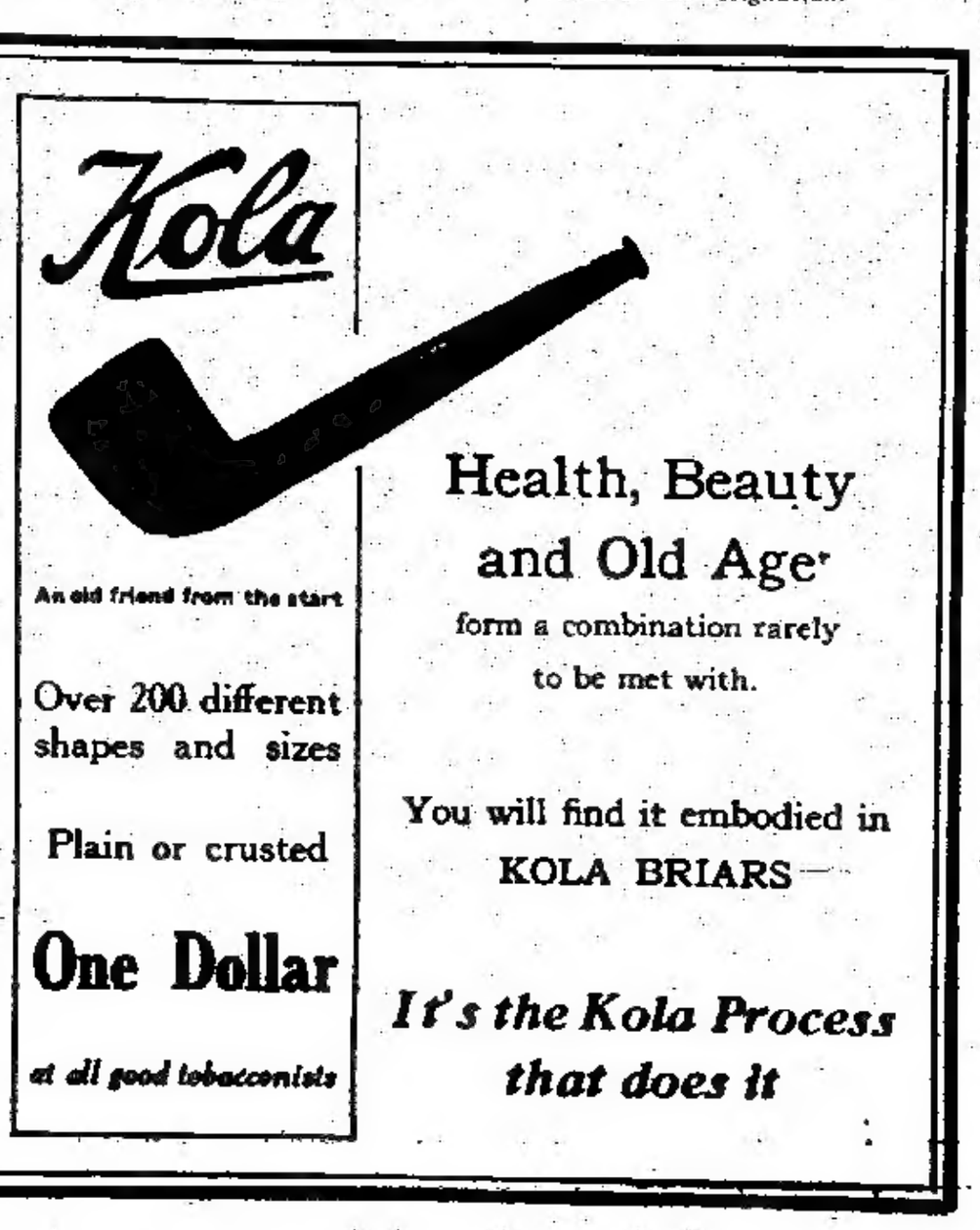
It would be an exaggeration to say that anti-Semitism is dead in France, but it can be safely asserted that anti-Semitism plays a negligible part in the political life of the country. Of course this improvement in our position in France is to be accounted for not only by sentimental or intellectual reasons. There are deep economic causes, too, acting in the same direction. The country which has lost one and a half millions of her youngest and most virile sons, and has to rebuild ten devastated departments, cannot afford the luxury of Xenophobia, like countries where the population is super-abundant, and where immigrants bring about a reduction of wages. This is the main reason why the Jewish question which in France, as in other countries, is intimately connected with the question of Jewish immigration, has for some time been growing less pronounced.

Here is a fact which I consider an excellent illustration of the change which has been wrought. In "Silbermann" where the action takes place in the period closely following the Dreyfus affair, the principal of the school, acting under the pressure of the Catholic parents, demands that Silbermann's father should withdraw his son. Recently the French newspapers published a report of an occurrence in the school at Besancon, a large town in the east of France. A Jewish pupil felt offended at the way in which a Catholic priest, who taught theology in the school, explained to the class the mediaeval attitude towards the Jews. The principal immediately apologized to the parents of the Jewish pupil; arranged for the rabbi to meet the priest, and made the latter call upon the family of the Jewish boy to explain that he had not meant by his remarks to affront the Jews.

RESIGNATION OF JEWISH RECTOR NOT ACCEPTED

Prague (J. T. A.).—The Minister of Education has refused to accept the resignation of Dr. Samuel Steinhertz, against whose appointment recently to the rectorship of the German University of Prague, a strike was organized by the anti-Semitic students.

The press is commenting extensively on the fact that while Sternherz refused to budge while the movement against him was at its height, he has now of his own free will after the agitation has died out, tendered his resignation.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News, Opinions and Comments Pertaining to the Efforts of Toronto Jewry to Assist in the Reconstruction of Palestine.

The Worst

The Hagadah classifies the reactions to the Jewish nationalist movement of the days of Moses into four types: the wise one, the wicked one, the fool, and finally, the one who does not even know what the whole thing is about. At the present time, too, perhaps the lowest type is that which professes that it does not know what the Keren Hayesod is, and had never heard of it. Ignorance is sometimes pardonable—it serves as a foil and a soil for enlightenment. But for a Jew not to know by this time what the Keren Hayesod is, is unforgivable. Such a one may rightly be stigmatized the "Sho'nei Yodya Lish'el" of the Hagadah.

Twenty Thousand

Before the campaign proper commenced there were already cash and pledges received amounting to close to twenty thousand dollars. We have grown accustomed to view campaigning for communal needs as a sort of L. R. Steel "high pressure" stock-selling affair. Indeed, expert campaigners have so commercialized their causes that they were known to refer to their work as that of "selling Zionism," or "selling relief." Zionism is dear to the hearts of Toronto Jews, as, indeed, it is, to the hearts of Jews the world over. All that is needed is for some one to come and tell the Jews that Palestine is in need. A response is always worked. And everywhere there are stationed true and tried Zionists who are ready to go out and work for Zionism without being made the subjects of "high pressure" methods. Toronto Jewry will respond handsomely to the call of Zion. The beginning is encouraging.

Dr. Goldstein

The success so far achieved by the Keren Hayesod campaign, is due in a very large measure to the efforts of Dr. Alexander Goldstein. An idealist, and thinker, Dr. Goldstein also possesses a strong sense of the reality. His mission to Canada is to get Canadian Jews to contribute a fair share to the upbuilding of Palestine. He is determined to carry out his mission. And his will to success recognizes no obstacles. Lethargy, hard times, and the various excuses that are generally trumped up to explain the lack of Zionist effort in this country—these crumple up and disappear before the onslaught of his irresistible will power. He is making sacrifices himself. He sees no reason why other Jews should not make sacrifices of some kind for Palestine. And somehow his audiences soon come to agree with him, and proceed to work for the Keren Hayesod.

The Special Names

In campaign parlance "special names" mean merely the names of those who can afford to give more for a cause than the general masses. Special efforts must, therefore, be made to visit the happy possessors of such "extraordinary cognomens." Wealth and social position involve obligations as well as advantages. Most of the Jews here are Zionists. The owners of the special names realize their duty to give, and do give handsomely in many cases. A large number of the wealthier members of the community have already given. Is there any reason why the others should not also be afforded the opportunity to give? It would be gross discrimination against them to overlook them in the campaign. It therefore behooves those owners of the special names who have already subscribed to save their brothers of special names from the fate of remaining out in the cold.

"WE WILL NOT FAIL YOU"

Some forty men gave this pledge to Mr. Dunkelman when he became chairman of the campaign. They are men of their words. It is safe to assume that they will keep their promises. These men ought to keep Mr. Dunkelman's line busy asking when they should go out to work.

The following organizations have pledged a quota of teams: Heral Boys; Bnai Zion; Bnai Zion Benevolent; Poelei Zion; National Workers Alliance; Independent Benevolent; Sons of Jacob; Menorah; Balfour Club; Hadassah groups.

THE HADASSAH ORGANIZES

Men continue sometimes to say wise things between puffs of a cigar. Women manage to say (generally) and often to accomplish things worth while between sips of tea. The Hadassah women met on Tuesday, listened to an inspiring address by Dr. Goldstein, drank tea and proceeded to organize for the campaign. Marshall Foch never had his staff and army better organized than are the forces of the Hadassah. Mrs. Willinsky has been elevated to the post of Field Marshall. The capable chairman of Hadassah, Mrs. Dunkelman, is now chief of staff. The perennial secretary, Mrs. Selick, is secretary of state, and to complete the organization twenty captains were appointed, each captain in charge of a corps of five workers. Altogether an army of one hundred and twenty soldiers were mustered. And while tea was being consumed an important step in the preparations for the Keren Hayesod was being taken.

North Bay A Warm Spot

While Toronto was shivering with the Arctic cold, the little town of North Bay, generally snow-bound and frigid, was experiencing an unusual thaw. Our estimable fellow-citizen, Mr. Harry Clavir went to North Bay ostensibly to ask the "form questions," but, once there, he proceeded to ask the North Bay community a few questions about contributing to the Keren Hayesod. He was assisted in his interrogations by Mr. Jacob Cohen of North Bay. And the answers were not: "We were slaves," but rather "we will give for the Keren Hayesod." The irresistible Mr. Clavir brought back with him over four hundred dollars. In the grip of the cold spell of climate, the hearts of North Bay Jewry had warmed up, and the committee is grateful to Mr. Clavir and appreciative of the fine response of the small community of North Bay.

North Bay contributions—Harry Ritter $75, Herman Freed $75, Sol Weiser $55, Jacob Cohen $60, O. Shecter $25, M. Harris $26, P. Adams $25, E. Joseph $11, B. Levitt $20, P. Brown $10, M. Meyer $10, N. Sklar $10.

PERSONAL MENTION

Lord Robert Cecil, a scion of one of the oldest and most illustrious families in England will help Dr. Weizman in his appeals for the Keren Hayesod. Lord Robert Cecil is neither a "Yahudi," nor a "Deutsch."

Major Ormsby-Gore, under secretary for the Colonies in the British Cabinet, will shortly visit America, and will appear on a Keren Hayesod platform. He is not a "Deutsch" either.

Mr. Louis Marshall, the foremost Jew of America, is helping the Keren Hayesod. He is a "Deutsch."

Dr. Goldstein will be in Windsor on the 15th, in Brantford on the 18th, and in London on the 22nd of this month. He may also honour Kingston with a visit.

Mr. Isidore Goldstick of London visited the Keren Hayesod office to arrange for the trip of Dr. Goldstein to London

Mr. I. Rubinoff thinks that the Verband members will not be "off" in this campaign. He is sure they will be on the job.

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Editorial

THE ROOTS OF ZIONISM

The Keren Hayesod campaign is on in Toronto. Its quota is the modest sum of $75,000. The local Zionist organization has assumed responsibility for collecting this quota, though in all truth, the responsibility really belongs to the 40,000 Jews of this city. The Zionists merely represent the volunteer collectors. Palestine and its rebuilding should no longer be the concern merely of Zionists, because the contract, which the League of Nations made, was not with the comparative handful of organized Zionists, but with the Jewish people. The Zionists, being the only organized group of Jews with branches all over the world, were entrusted by the League of Nations and Great Britain to "sell" the proposition of the re-establishment of Palestine as a Jewish homeland to the Jews.

The proposition is a much more serious business than some Jews seem to think. For 2,000 years the Jews have been praying and pleading that the only solution to their lot is a re-established homeland in Eretz Yisroel. At last the opportunity came when the world could do something toward solving the Jewish problem. Their desire to solve this problem, by the way, does not emanate altogether from purely altruistic motives. The Jews have been a problem to the nations of the world even as much as they have been a problem unto themselves. The world has taken seriously the age-old solution propounded by the Jews all these centuries. How were they to know that when Jews prayed on their holiest of festivals "Leshono ha bo b'yirusholayim" (next year we may be in Palestine) or "May our eyes behold thy return in mercy to Zion" recited thrice daily in the synagog, that for many, this was just mummery? Or that the prophecies of Israel, which abound in the faith of the Jews return to Zion, which hope sustained our people in the long nights of oppression and persecution, were to become for the dry bones of Israel, just so much idle musing?

It is the faith in the self-redemptive powers of Israel that leads a man like Lord Robert Cecil to repeat the conviction first uttered in 1920, that in the last analysis it will be found that the outstanding contribution of the Great War are the League of Nations and the re-establishment of Palestine as a Jewish homeland.

There is a philosophy behind these words of Lord Robert Cecil, especially as applied to the Jewish situation. The roots of Zionism as a solution to the Jewish problem may be simply stated. Jews are psychologically strangers in western civilization. Of this they are daily reminded even in the intellectual centres of the liberal United States. The Jews have not created the civilization and culture which they find ready-made in the lands to which they immigrate. They merely adjust themselves to it. This process of adjustment frequently reminds us of the rabinic legend illustrating the wickedness of the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah, who were in the habit of welcoming strangers, and who, after feeding them well, also tendered them a night's lodging. If the stranger was a tall man he was offered a short bed and since he could not fit into it, his limbs were hacked so that his torso did fit. If he was a short man, he was offered a long bed, and his body stretched. In either case, the hosts managed to bury their guests and possess themselves of their wealth.

So it always is with the process of adjustment. It means either attrition or absorption. In both cases it is cultural and spiritual death. In the countries where Jews come to live, they are compelled by the reigning notion of patriotism and assimilation, mistaken though it be, to become 100 percenters. This usually implies a process of soul annihilation, of stripping oneself nude of spiritual and cultural inheritance; and to become standardized, uniform, like-minded, and absorbed by the civilization and culture of the country. Failing to do this, you are brand-marked a "foreigner," and an "alien."

For those who grow up without any semblance of Jewish education, who do not comprehend the dignity and beauty of Judaism, the process of absorption is a simple and painless operation.

Such a one becomes not merely a 100 percenter, but with the Jewish genius of always going to extremes, he becomes a 200 percenter. This is the type of Jew who regards his accident of birth as a misfortune, who cringes for non-Jewish recognition, who is flattered when he is told that he does not look like a Jew, to whom Judaism is a vapid religious formula, devoid of virility, who regards all forms of Jewish self-expression, Zionism included, as a menace to his position as a citizen. It is this type of Jew whom the Goyim can never understand. Their straightforward, unsophisticated minds regard him as neither flesh, fish, nor good red herring. It is largely on his account that the Jew suffers misunderstanding. Is there any wonder that next to a "moser" (informer), this type of crypto Jew is most despised by the Jewish masses?

For the Jew, however, to whom the many excellencies of Jewish culture are part of his soul life, the process of adjustment is a painful and severe operation. More painful than a cut to the flesh is a cut to the soul.

When times are normal and the social and economic forces are working smoothly, the non-Jewish world, who regard us as foreigners, do not ask us for our passports. It is only in times of crises and upheavals, such as the world is now passing through that the non-Jews, seeking a scapegoat who can be blamed for everything, focusses all the gall of disappointment and disillusionment upon the Jew. Then comes a call for the passports of these foreigners. To the non-Jews we are enigmas, insolvable riddles, sphinxes. At such a time as this, the assimilated and the unassimilated Jews are linked together as undesirables. It is this peculiar position of ours that produces suspicion, distrust and finally anti-Semitism. It is not because we are a peculiar people, but because the angle of the world's vision in regard to us is skewed that we are required to always be better than the non-Jew. When we do become better, and our adjustment becomes so perfect that the imitation is hardly distinguishable from the real thing, then our best artists, musicians, writers, philosophers, etc., are accounted to the credit of other nations. Thus Heifitz is regarded as Russian, Einstein as a German, Sarah Bernhardt as French, and George Brandes as a Scandinavian, etc., etc. Whereas those of our people who bootleg are regarded as Jews.

Zionism is the passionate protest of the living masses of the living Jewish people to this state of affairs. It is the expression of their healthy normal desire to be Jews, nothing more, nothing less; to create their own values and live their own life freely and openly, and not apologetically or hypocritically. In Palestine, the Jew will be different, because he can be different. Instead of creating constantly for others; instead of adjusting until he ceases to be, as seems to be the case in the Diaspora, he will create for himself in Palestine. There he can fashion a Jewish law, a Jewish art, a Jewish religion, etc., etc. In the Jewish breast there is a passionate craving to create their own, even though the beginnings of this creation will be modest and small. Is this not a legitimate wish. The non-Jewish world thinks it is.

A Jewish homeland in Palestine will give the Jewish people a reciprocal standing with the other nations of the world. Why? Because the position and respect of nation for nation is built up on the principle of reciprocity, not in terms of quantity but of quality. Only when the Jews have an independent Jewish homeland will they be able to reciprocate. For the Jewish people, Zionism is the way to spiritual and cultural freedom. What profiteth us if we win the world and lose our soul? Palestine will restore to all Jews, to those in the land and those outside of the land, their soul. Can we afford to ignore or be indifferent to so powerful and vital a movement?

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Let us remember one thing, the Jews of Russia and Poland, of Austria and Roumania are bankrupt because of pogroms, wars, and a valueless currency. They stand, however, ready to supply the human material which will enter Palestine. The golden key, however, which unlocks the doors of hope, and the future of the Jewish people is in the pockets of the Jews of the United States and Canada.

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Samuel R. Brickner

every friday

"Sometimes when people censure me,
I tell them without rancour
That for what it cost me to be free
I might have had an anchor."

Panting for breath in our hurry we want to assure all lovers of the poet Bialik that he is not dead at all. True, the REVIEW killed him in the Passover number published last week, and not content to do so quietly in a manner befitting the murder of a poet, had him rudely snatched away by death, and that too, in the very first paragraph of an article which went on to lament that the brightest star in the pleiades of Hebrew poetry had set. By this printed killing, Bialik has been raised to that niche which holds other men who have been done away with in print and the REVIEW is firmly established among much bigger papers which have killed men out of a clear sky. We once served on the staff of a great chain of daily newspapers which tried to take a pope to his eternal resting place a day or so before the Almighty thought the time had come; and only last year or so we heard argument among people who ought to know as to whether W. L. George, the English novelist, was really dead as the papers said, or alive, as afterwards proved to be the case. Then of course, you remember Mark Twain's famous remark that reports of his death had been exaggerated. So, aside from the fact that Bialik isn't dead as this goes to press, there was nothing wrong with the article. It was well written (all except that fatal first paragraph) and from a reliable source. Surely in view of the fact that so many inches of the article were perfectly good, no one, save the most exacting dyspeptic and misanthrope could continue to hold that one little paragraph against the writer. Many other poets are dead (no one can deny this), and since there are so many, is it much wonder that Bialik was mixed up with one of these? What really bothers us personally is not this nonchalant slaying of Bialik, so much as the reason the editor let the article slip by. He looks inscrutable and says that he did it playfully just to see how many people read serious articles, how many know or care about Bialik, and how many would complain at his demise. Of course, no one believes this. Our private opinion depends upon our mood. Sometimes we think that he did this thing in an elated moment when he considered the amount of all-wool-and-a-yard-wide advertising the issue carried and again we fear that what really troubled him was whether he should do away with Every Friday, or give us that raise we have been hinting at for such a time. Anyway, no matter what happens to us, Bialik is not dead and long live Bialik! Of course, he has to die some time, and the only thing we see to do in an extravagant world is to save the article and use it again either on Bialik or (with a few changes) on some one else.

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With the day's vogue calling for slim silhouettes dressed up in garments patterned after the clothes of Tut-ankh-amen's time, we hope that the world's stout ladies will not discover that M. Mosessohn and his brother David are dictators over the dress and women's wear industry of America. Otherwise there may be more anti-Semitism. David is head of the Associated Dress Industries of America and his brother is arbiter of the United Women's Wear League. We suggest that with the power thus vested in them, they turn their attention to popularizing white lawn dresses for little Jewish girls at confirmation time. Every year sees more silk and less simplicity, but we can't notice that the confirmants know any more since confirmation has become a society event than they did when it was a ceremony in religious education.

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We see by the papers that, for the first time since 1914, German students are to spend several months at Oxford University as the guests of English graduates and undergraduates. It must be most discouraging to the war lords to see how quickly artificial hatreds spend themselves and are forgotten.

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Rivka says: "Patriotism is the hope that makes a young man believe an old one when the latter says he'd like to go to war if he were younger."

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Hadassah

To an audience that filled the spacious ground floor of the Zionist building, Dr. Alexander Goldstein delivered an inspiring address on the duties of the Hadassah members to Zionism at the Hadassah tea Tuesday afternoon last. The distinguished guest of the Hadassah Council made a plea for the education of the Jewish youth in the glorious traditions and literature of Judaism, and deplored the fact that in the average home there was too often lacking the example of service and sacrifice for our people, to inspire and bind the Jews and Jewesses of to-morrow to their faith.

The members of Hadassah could by their work for the re-establishment of the Jewish homeland, elevate themselves and their families to new heights of service.

Not in the dull, drab rounds of duties and social pleasures could one really achieve the true purpose and excuse for life, the accomplishment of something really worth while.

Truly will those have lived who will have left behind their participation in the furtherance of the fulfilment of the two thousand years of prayer of the Jewish people to be permitted to live again a normal, purposeful existence as a nation in Palestine.

Dr. Goldstein concluded by impressing on those present the need for Junds to carry on the Zionist work, and urged every lady present to participate in the Keren Hayesod campaign next week.

Mrs. J. Selick, in moving a vote of thanks to Dr. Goldstein, called for captains and workers for Hadassah's quota to the Keren Hayesod campaign next week. The captains under the general convenership of Mrs. A. L. Willinsky: Mesdames D. Abramovitz, Bergman, Dora Brown, S. Cohen, Miss Eva Ellenson, Mesdames Geldzaeler, Goodman, Goldberg, D. Goodman, S. Greenfarb, M. Kates, H. Kauffman, Landsberg, Miss Tessie Lavine, Mesdames L. M. Schwartz, Jack Schwartz, P. Shulman, M. L. Willinsky, Wolfish and Wolfson.

A meeting of all the captains and workers will be held at the Zionist Institute on Sunday evening. All those who have not registered to work for the Keren Hayesod are urged to attend.

WESTERN CHAPTER

The Western Chapter of Hadassah is holding a bridge at the Zionist Institute on Monday afternoon, April 16th, for members and friends. Proceeds of the bridge are to be donated to the Zionist Institute.

HERZL GIRLS

The Herzl Girls have presented the infant daughter, Rivka Hadassah, of their honorary president, Mrs. I. H. Siegel, with a loving cup. Arrangements have been made for the dansante to take place in the early part of May. Regular meeting will take place April 16.

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Rabbi Brickner Addresses Education Conference

Rabbi B. R. Brickner spoke on "Literature as a Road to Education" Thursday, when the National Conference on Education and Citizenship, held its sessions in Convocation Hall and Massey Hall.

Toronto was the scene of two immense educational gatherings and for seven days, education was the chief topic of interest throughout the Dominion. The Ontario Educational Association met on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, April 2, 3, and 4, at the University of Toronto and the National Conference on Education and Citizenship held its sessions on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday in Convocation Hall and in Massey Hall, with special educational services in all the churches on Sunday.

The National Conference on Education and Citizenship will be addressed by distinguished educationalists from the various provinces of Canada; from Great Britain and from France. Lord Robert Cecil, Sir Michael Sadler, Sir Henry Newbolt, Sir Robert and Lady Baden-Powell have come from England for this especial purpose. Canadian speakers are Sir Robert Falconer, Sir Arthur Currie, Rabbi B. R. Bricker, Messrs. Vincent Massey, W. J. Bulman, Tom Moore, C. B. Newcombe, Dr. Parmelee, Principal Hutton, Archbishop Matheson, Dr. Henry Munroe, Rev. Dr. Crummy, Hon. N. W. Rowell, President H. M. Tory, Rev. Trevor Davies, Hon. E. C. Drury, Mrs. R. F. McWilliams, Hon. James Bracken, Rev. Archdeacon Cody, Dr. A. E. Marty.

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Spirited Debate in House of Lords on Zionism

Grey Attacks and Devonshire Champions Palestine Policy

London (J.T.A.).—The motion of Lord Islington that the government produce the papers concerning the Palestine budget and the recent elections there was carried in the House of Lords, following a spirited controversy in which Lords Grey, Islington and Sydenham attacked, and the Duke of Devonshire, Colonial Secretary, defended, the British policy in Palestine.

Lord Grey, supporting Islington's motion, declared the honor of Britain demanded the publications of the papers in order to make the situation clear to the world. Grey said that while he was not antipathetic to Zionism, he deemed it necessary for England to steer clear of all commitments in the East, including Palestine, where, he said, it was necessary to use force in order to maintain the British rule.

In view of the "complete boycott" of the elections by the Arabs, Lord Islington, a well-known anti-Zionist, asked whether the Government was failing to consider the modification of the constitution in order to bring it in accord with the sentiments of the majority of the inhabitants.

The Duke of Devonshire declared that the publication of the papers at the present time would be inopportune and could not be done without the consent of King Hussein of the Hedjaz. The Government, the Duke said, would not allow the matter to drift. The Duke said he could not subscribe to Islington's statement that the whole Arab electorate had refrained from voting. The Duke asked that the Lords refrain from the use of bitter language, which would only result, he said, in complicating the situation, and in rendering more difficult the position of Sir Herbert Samuel, the High Commissioner. The present constitution, the Duke said, gives all of the Palestinian elements a real share in the administration of the country.

Extensive comment on the debate in the House of Lords appears in the press to-day. The "London Daily Express," which is violently anti-Zionistic declares the fight in the House of Lords imperils the cause of Zionism. It charges that a number of British troops recently sent to Bagdad, died on the journey owing to the long marches and bad roads. Much space is also given in the "Express" to the survey of Palestine issued by United States Department of Commerce, prepared by Consul Southard. Charging that the views expressed by Southard are too optimistic, it states that even this report expresses doubt as to the country's agricultural and industrial resources. The "Westminster Gazette" also devotes much space to the debate, featuring the attack by Lord Grey. The "Daily Mail" reports the debate under the heading: "The Palestine Danger."

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COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

St. Louis Prepares for Council Triennial

The Jewish community of St. Louis is making elaborate preparations for the Tenth Triennial Convention of the Council of Jewish Women, which is to meet in St. Louis during the week of November 12. Since this convention is attracting international as well as national attention, the St. Louis section is anticipating a large number of visitors as well as delegates. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Irvin Bettman, and in co-operation with the president of the St. Louis section, Mrs. Alvin L. Bauman, a very thorough plan of organization was devised, to meet every possible need previous to the convention and during its sessions.

One of the special plans of the St. Louis section is to offer private hospitality to delegates who are not making hotel reservations. The local civic organizations are co-operating with the Council section in making the delegates' visit to St. Louis most profitable and enjoyable.

HADASSAH MAY BE FORCED TO CLOSE HOSPITALS

Jerusalem (J.T.A.).—A serious financial stringency is facing the Hadassah, with the curtailment of many of the activities of the organization looming, unless some way is found of covering the accumulating deficit.

The Hadassah may be forced to close all of its hospitals with the exception of the Rothschild Hospital in Jerusalem. The crisis is the result of the discontinuance by the Joint Distribution Committee of its subsidies. The Keren Hayesod, too, is not supplying enough to rehabilitate its crippled finances. The sanitation work of the hospitals is now being performed by the Palestinian government, with funds supplied by the J. D. C.

Negotiations are still pending with the J. D. C. according to Miss Seligsburg, president of the Hadassah. The "Joint" has not definitely decided the question of future subsidies to the Hadassah, Miss Seligsburg said.

A conference of the representatives of the various organizations concerned is now in progress.

45 JEWS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED IN BUCHAREST POGROM

Roumania Believed to be Suppressing Stories of Atrocities

Bucharest (J. T. A.).—The anti-Jewish riots here which are unparalleled for severity are now in their third day. Neither the government nor the police, is taking any measures to protect the Jews.

Vienna (J. T. A.).—Forty-five are reported wounded in the anti-Semitic disturbances which have been going on the past several days in Roumania.

The anti-Semites first besieged a Jewish theatre in Bucharest, where American Jewish actors were performing and brutally assaulted Jewish theatre goers and passers-by. According to reports the government has finally decided to take steps to end the riots, fearing the unsavory impression the disorders will create outside of Roumania.

(In view of the brevity of the above Bucharest cablegram despite the seriousness of the disturbances described, the J. T. A. is of the opinion that reports are being censored by the Roumanian government. The seriousness of the situation is confirmed by the cablegram from Vienna.)

JEWS WIN LIBERALIZATION OF ROUMANIAN CITIZENSHIP CLAUSE

Bucharest, March 27 (J. T. A.).—The Commission in charge of the new Roumanian constitution has made an eleventh hour concession to the Jews on the citizenship clause. Upon persistent efforts of the Jewish members of Parliament, the commission has agreed to amend the citizenship clause giving all those residents of Roumania, since 1918 the right of citizenship.

The original clause excluded from citizenship those coming to Roumania after 1914.

New York (J. T. A.).—The Jewish Bureau of the Soviet Department for Nationalities and the Moscow headquarters of the "Idgescom" are making preparations to receive Jewish refugees from Russia and Ukraine who are being expelled from Poland, according to a cablegram received by the "Idgescom" here from its Moscow headquarters.

JEWISH IMMIGRANTS PROSPER IN MEXICO, B'NAI BRITH REPORT SAYS

800 Who Planned to Cross Border Into U.S., Now Contented There

Chicago (J. T. A.).—Large numbers of Jews who entered Mexico this intention of crossing into the States from there, are now prospering in Mexico and entirely content to remain there. A report to this effect has been received by the Independent Order B'nai B'rith from Rabbi Martin Zielonka of El Paso, who conducted an investigation for the Order.

In the last two years more than 800 of these Jewish immigrants have landed in Mexico, Rabbi Zielonka hears. "The only problem seems to be that all the young men want to get married and from all conversations with them they want wives of their own nationality, writes Ed. Saunders of El Paso who has met the young men.

"The earliest immigrants, the report declares, all gathered on the border planning to cross into this country but when they found they could not easily do this, the B'nai B'rith took a hand in the matter.

"A definite program was adopted. The immigrant must leave the border and return to the more populous interior and there try to earn a living since he could not cross into the United States for two years. The enforcement of this order was the cause of many letters to the Yiddish and general press detailing suffering and starvation. Since the problem was one of permanent welfare of the immigrants, the B'nai B'rith remained firm, almost heartless in its enforcement, and as a result, comparatively few remained on the border, the others receiving transportation and cash for return to the interior.

The results have been most gratifying, continues Rabbi Zielonka. "Comparatively few are now seeking admission to the U. S. The majority of the men turn to peddling merchandise and are doing exceptionally well. Their relations with the Mexican merchants too, leaves little to be desired."

"The work of the B'nai B'rith should convince the most sceptical that Mexico offers opportunity to immigrants willing to work, to suffer some privation and to settle in a strange environment. The opportunities are especially good for those whose relatives can give them sufficient funds to start their business."

COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN NAMES DELEGATES TO WORLD MEETING

New York (J. C. B.).—The Council of Jewish Women has named four delegates to the World Conference of Jewish Women's Organizations to be held in Vienna, May 6 to 11.

En route there, the delegates will visit the principal port cities of Europe, and study employment and housing conditions affecting detained emigrants and refugees.

The delegates are: Mrs. Alexander Kohut of New York; Mrs. Nathaniel E. Harris, Bradford, Pa.; Estelle M. Sternberger, and Cecilia Razovsky, New York.

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SISTERHOOD

A reception social for the congregation was held under the auspices of the Temple Sisterhood on Friday evening, March 30, in the Synagog Chambers, immediately after the lecture.

Members and their families are urged to set aside Wednesday evening, April 1. The Temple Sisterhood has arranged a congregational dance. An enjoyable time is promised. Price, tickets $3.00 double, $1.50 single. Reservation with Mrs. Jule Heim, Hudson 2528-W.

A special Sisterhood meeting has been called for the afternoon, April 25. Nominations for officers for the ensuing year will take place, and amendments of the constitution made.

Sunday School

Owing to the Passover holidays, no Sunday school sessions will be held on Sunday morning, April 8. Sunday school will open again on Sunday morning, April 15, at 10 o'clock sharp.

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Services and Sermons

The Second Days of Passover will commence Friday evening, April 6, and conclude on Sunday evening, April 8. The evening services on Friday and Saturday will begin at 6.45 and the morning services Saturday and Sunday at 9 o'clock.

Synagog Parade in Honor of Sir Baden-Powell

Troop 59, Toronto Boy Scouts, will parade to the University Avenue Synagog on Saturday morning to attend the services in honor of Sir Baden-Powell, the founder of the Boy Scout movement, who is visiting Toronto to participate in the National Conference on Education and Citizenship.

At 11 o'clock Rabbi Siegel will address the Congregation and the Troop on the topic of

"Judaism as a Character Builder"

and will discuss the general objects of the conference and its possibilities.

Memorial Services, Hazkorath N'shomos

On Sunday, April 8, at 11 o'clock, Memorial Services for relatives will be held at University Avenue Synagog. After these services Rabbi Siegel will speak on the topic,

"Children of Loneliness"

A story by this name was recently published in the Century Magazine and has for its theme the problems of the Jewish youth of to-day. Rabbi Siegel will attempt to analyze these problems and suggest some solution.

Teachers' Meeting

A meeting of the teachers of the Goel Tzedek Religious School will be held at the home of Mrs. Philip James, 20 Admiral Road, on Tuesday evening, April 10, to make definite plans for the spring season which will start on Sunday, April 15, when the school will be reopened after the Passover vacation.

Rabbi Siegel Invited to Conference

The Delegates' Committee of the National Conference on Education and Citizenship has extended an invitation to Rabbi Siegel to represent his congregation at this conference.

SYNAGOG ELECTION

The Machziki Hadas Congregation, Terauley Street, elected for officers Monday night, April 2, as follows: President, M. Shapiro; vice-president, A. C. Boehner; treasurer, S. Eisenberg; trustees, E. Eisen, L. Turner, B. Shrott, A. Zener, F. Foergaugn, R. Kurtz, K. Diamond; secretary, H. Wolfson, 46 Huron Street.

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IN SOCIETY

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Mrs. A. Rosenthal, Russell Hill Road, has issued invitations for a bridge at her home, next Tuesday.

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Miss Dora Jacobs of Los Angeles is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. Simonsky, Brunswick Ave.

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Miss Betty Bochner, Hudson, N. Y., is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bochner, Grace Street, for the holidays.

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Mrs. H. Levy, Glenwood Avenue, is spending a few weeks in Philadelphia with her people. On the way back she will visit Atlantic City and New York.

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Miss Ruth Sidbrack is leaving for Detroit to spend the holidays with her parents. A dinner was given Miss Sidbrack by her friends.

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Miss Kathleen Samuels entertained at a dinner party Monday evening at her home in honor of Miss Irene Frankel and Mr. John Albert Engel, whose marriage will take place shortly.

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Mr. and Mrs. I. Freedman of Walmer Road have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Freed of New York.

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Mr. B. Frankel of Montreal is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. Levy, Jarvis Street.

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Mrs. Martha Frankel has returned from a trip to New York and Philadelphia, where she visited her children.

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Mr. Selig Greisman, Admiral Road, sailed on the Aquitania last month for an extended trip to the continent.

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Mrs. Jule Heim, Dinnick Crescent, Lawrence Park, will be at home on Friday afternoon, April 13, from 4 to 6, prior to her departure for Europe.

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Mr. A. W. Neill, member of parliament in the Dominion House for Comox-Atlin, B.C., and Mrs. Neill were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Lederman, Ossington Avenue, over the holiday week-end.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clavir and family, Huron Street, spent the holidays at North Bay, the guest of Mrs. Clavir's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Freed.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wiener, formerly of Spadina Road, are now in their new home, 167 Roxborough Street W.

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Mrs. I. Freedman, Walmer Road, entertained last week at bridge.

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Jacob Ben Ami was the guest of honor at a dinner of the Arts and Letters club last week.

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Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Hinelstein, Pinewood Avenue, entertained at luncheon at the Primrose Club last week in honor of Jacob Ben Ami.

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Mr. Sam Lepofsky of Ottawa spent the holiday week with his mother, Royce Avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Lessen of Rochester, New York, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Willinsky, Homewood Avenue.

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Mr. H. Potter spent the week in Detroit.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Friefeld have returned from their honeymoon in Atlantic City and New York.

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Mr. Charles Bochner of Ottawa spent the holiday week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bochner, Brunswick Avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. Phillips of Hamilton visited in the city during the holidays.

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Mrs. Jule Allen, St. Andrews Gardens, has left for New York, to meet Mr. Allen, who is returning from a trip to England.

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Mrs. J. Eisman, Poplar Plains Road, is entertaining at bridge to-day, Friday.

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Miss Hildred DeYoung Greenberg, Wright Avenue, left Sunday to spend the holiday week in Buffalo.

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Mr. and Mrs. Langer of Hamilton visited in the city with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cadesky, Borden Street, during the holidays.

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Mrs. I. Zivian of Ottawa is spending a few weeks in the city with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Yaffe, Aberdeen Avenue.

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Mrs. L. Rosefield, 366 Crawford Street, entertained in honor of her son, Jack's fifth birthday, at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. Goldhar, Markham Street. Bridge was played by the mothers of the children.

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Mrs. Henry Faber of Montreal, who was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goodman, Brunswick Avenue, has returned to Montreal.

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Dr. A. Lipman spent the holiday week in Kingston.

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Mr. S. Tennanbaum visited in Kingston during the holidays.

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Mr. Samuel Lapofsky of Ottawa visited in the city over the holiday week-end.

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Miss Freda Schecter of Grange Ave. is spending the holidays in New York with her aunt and uncle.

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Mr. Harold D. Jackson, New York, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Jackson, Parliament Street.

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Mrs. M. Mentel and Mrs. H. J. Rabow, Ossington Ave., were joint hostesses when they entertained twenty friends at a whist given in honor of their respective birthdays. The prize winners were Mrs. W. Wolfish, Mrs. H. Allen, and Miss A. Tate.

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Dr. and Mrs. I. M. Cherniak of Windsor, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Cherniak's mother, Mrs. D. Lunenfeld, D'Arcy Street.

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Mr. S. Till, father of Mr. M. S. Till, Mr. Meyer Till and son Ivan, and Miss Annetta Greenblatt of New York, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Till, Grace Street, for the holidays.

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Federation Notes

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The Toronto Branch of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society of Canada has turned over its activities to the Personal Service department of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies. All matters pertaining to Immigration work will now be attended to by our organization. Efforts are being made to organize immigration work in a constructive way.

Have you seen our beautiful new Children's Home? Toronto Jewry can feel proud of this accomplishment, but when you will visit the Home, you will soon realize that an expression is needed and more money will be necessary to maintain it.

Remember that we have hundreds of children in our home town who are under-nourished and under-fed, yea, many of them are homeless, who need our care.

We will endeavour to show the needs for more extensive Child Welfare Work in our community in the following issues of the CANADIAN JEWISH REVIEW.

NOTICE TO GIRL GUIDES

Toronto Division grand rally takes place April 7, 1923, at Massey Hall. Invitations have been sent out by the secretary. Guide's parents and friends are cordially invited, admission free, time 1.15 p.m.

In order to ensure the success of our grand rally, guider and guide should be in Massey Hall at 12.15.

The companies in each district will sit together and be under the command of a district captain appointed for the rally.

Rally program, 1.15 p.m. sharp, consists of: Brownie welcome; guide demonstration; guide song; presentation of standard; presentation of ranger trophy; ranger display; O Canada; address by Lady Baden-Powell.

At the close, each district will follow its district captain and line up in fours in companies outside, and walk to meet the scouts outside the Armouries, from there the guides and scouts will go to Queen's Park and be dismissed.

Among the few companies chosen to represent Toronto Guides was the 69th Toronto company under the captaincy of Lillian C. Smith. Only eight girls from each company were selected to participate, each eight forming a tableau, 69th Toronto company representing "Arts flourishing under the British flag." Mrs. Joshua Smith gave her assistance in forming this tableau.

At the last 69th company meeting, Mrs. Smith was sworn in, taking the oath under the British flag to be and act as Loyal Mother Guide and company representative.

A special invitation has been extended to the 69th Toronto company to be present at a banquet given in honour of the distinguished guide guests, Lord and Lady Baden-Powell. This honor has been conferred upon the 69th because of their winning the first prize in the masquerade rally.

Captain Lillian C. Smith cordially invites those interested in guide work and welfare to attend this grand rally.

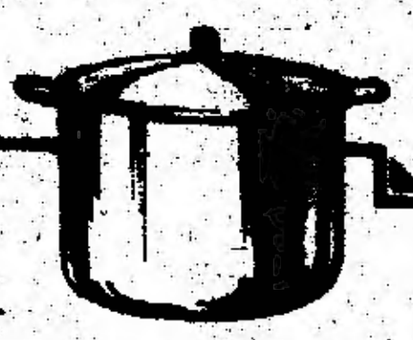
YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEAGUE
Annual Dance, April 19th

The annual dance of the Young People's League, of University Avenue congregation is announced for Thursday evening, April 19, to be held in the Empire room at the Prince George Hotel. An especially attractive program is to be rendered by a well-known orchestra is now being arranged. The next regular meeting of the league will be held on Sunday evening April 15, and will be open to the general public.

Bnai Brith Lodge Reception

An official reception was tendered by Toronto Lodge I.O.B.B. at their regular meeting on Monday evening last to past president Nathan Phillips, who is the deputy in Canada of the President of District Grand Lodge No. 1. Bro. Phillips, in responding to President Mort Levy's address of welcome spoke of the achievements now being attained by the lodge throughout the world and pointed to the history of the Jews as pioneers in most of the British Colonies. Bro. Phillips and past president Abraham Cohen were each made the recipients of handsome gifts as tokens of appreciation by the lodge of their services and devotion to the ideals of the Order.

The Bnai Brith will hold its next informal dance in the Empire room at the Prince George on Wednesday evening, April 25. An invitation from the Y. M. H. A. for an athletic evening has been accepted and arrangements are being made for Wednesday evening, April 11, when a basket-ball game, a tug-of-war and a snooker tournament will form part of the program. Bro. Sol. Lyons has offered a cup to the organization winning the most points during the evening.



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HEBREW NATIONAL DOES HOSPITAL DUTY

Every Jewish sick person who is unfortunate enough to be in any of the hospitals or in the asylum, cannot forget this is the Passover, on account of the delicious food served there by the Hebrew National Association.

Many visitors of the Jewish community have already visited the hospitals during the meal hours, and were high in praise of the way the work is being conducted. Anybody wishing to visit the hospital during meal hours may come to the College Street entrance of the General Hospital, where a committee will meet and accompany them through the various wards.

The superintendents of the work at the hospitals are, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Close at the General, Mrs. Weingarten and Mrs. Sirkin at the Western, Miss Mamie Litner at the Grace, and Mr. Freedman at the Weston Sanitarium.

Miss Litner who is a graduate nurse has offered her services for the entire passover, and attends the hospitals twice daily and feeds the patients who are helpless.

The Reading Girls of whom Miss Scher of Euclid Avenue is president, are ably assisting the association with the work by acting as waitresses.

There is a total of forty patients in the various hospitals, and twenty-five in the asylum.

BORN

Born, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Singer, New York, formerly of Wells Hill Avenue, Toronto, on April 1.

Marriages

Abramovitz—Fradis

The Roumanian Synagog on March 18 was the scene of a pretty wedding, when Celia, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Fradis, was united in marriage to Mr. Israel Abramovitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Abramovitz. The bride was gowned in kitten's ear crepe with train caught up with pearls and orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of roses and lily of the valley. The bridesmaid, Miss Nellie Kanner, was gowned in white canton crepe. Mr. S. Chelsky was the best man. The bride was given away by her mother. After the ceremony the bridal party left for the Henry Jacob Synagog where dinner was served for 150 guests. Many telegrams were read. Mr. Harry Signer led the grand march. Mr. and Mrs. Abramovitz will reside at 264 Dovercourt Road.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. H. Barris announce the engagement of their daughter, Freda Lillian, to Mr. Mac Steinberg son of Mrs. Steinberg.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Sackin of Markham Street announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Bella, to Mr. Jack Gushansky.

HERZL ZION CLUB

The following were recently elected as members of the Herzl Zion club: H. Bochneck; H. Pollock; H. Chaplan; N. Cappel; H. Sandler; A. Goldenberg; David Safer.

Box office reports indicate that "Barney Google," that internationally famous and funny personage is going to be greeted by a capacity audience on the night of April 17, at Loew's Winter Garden where he will appear in a gala revue under the auspices of the Herzl-Hadassah organizations.

A peep behind the scenes at the rehearsals revealed a galaxy of Toronto's best talent, and an earnestness of effort that reflected well on the play director. Tinkling melodies, bewitching chorus girls—but no; sufficient be it to say that local theatre-goers will be delighted when the curtain rises on the eve of the 17th.

Dr. William Goldstein will address the Herzl Zion club on Sunday afternoon on behalf of the Keren Hayesod.

Several high pressure teams have been organized to canvass in the campaign under the energetic leadership of Alexander D. Shatz.

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Next Wednesday, April 11, at 8 p.m., a debate will take place at the club rooms between four club members resolved "That the increase of machinery is disadvantageous to the working class." The affirmative will be upheld by Philip Kirshenbaum and Abie Goldberg; the negative by Harry Lahnsin and Victor Vanderhout.

The club needs furniture, such as book-cases, books, tables, records, dishes, chairs, etc., and a piano. Please communicate with Mr. M. E. Williams, delaide 6072.

ORION CLUB

The Orion club finished the 1922-1923 winter season by winning the "Y" most popular club contest which was held at the Arcadia on Tuesday, March 27. Last winter's work as supervised by the Orion club is—winners in the "Y" smoker; winners in the "Y" debating league and winners in the "Y" popularity contest. A great many other club activities such as bowling, "O" glee "C" activities, smoker and social work will be run to a successful conclusion at the Orion spring festival on Saturday April 21. The "O" glee "C" will demonstrate their worth at this festival. A new house bowling league has been organized with Mr. Richtiger being elected as manager and Messrs. Cohen, Caytinsky, Jacobson and Feigenblatt being the four captains elected. The schedule is near completion and the first games will be bowled this coming Friday at the Dundas Bowling alley.

Everything is set for Friday, April 13, at the Arcadia and great things are expected from Messrs. Feigenblatt and Co. in the line of entertainment.

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"Y" News

LITERARY NEWS

The oratorical contest scheduled for Sunday evening, April 8, 1923, will start at 8 p.m., because there are many contestants and it is highly desirable that the contest be concluded the same evening.

BASKETBALL

On Wednesday, April 11, the "Y" girls play the final game for the Toronto and District ladies league championship. The Stephenite team is opposing the "Y" team and this promises to be the game of the season. The trophy for this league is a silver cup about two-and a-half feet high. The game starts at 8 p.m., and there will be dancing at the "Y" bldg., after the games.

ARCADIA DANCE

As an aftermath of the Arcadia dance the "Y" wishes to announce that the cup presented by the "Y" for the most popular club was won by the Orion club.

BOWLING

Owing to a change in the schedule, the Balfours played the Tuex club on Tuesday, and the Amphions played the Tuex on Saturday. The Balfours won two out of three.

The Tuex lost two out of three to the Amphions. The three games Saturday produced the best bowling of the season, the Amphion team making the highest team score yet made, bowling 965, and the Tuex 942. Three men on the Amphion team bowled 200 scores. The highest score and highest average of the Tuex was made by Weiss, with 272 and 203, respectively. Spector also came through with a 229 single and 201 average.

In Ruerbach and Rumac, the league has two of the best-known Jewish bowlers in the city, with a number of others coming up close behind to beat them in the race for high man.

Next week the Amphions meet the Balfours. It is expected that these games will be closely contested. If either team wins three games, they will practically clinch the league. The standing as at present, is:—

Balfours—7-5
Amphions—6-6
Tuex —5-7

DUNDAS BOWLING CLUB NEW TOURNAMENT

The success of the recent Dundas Bowling Club tournament in all events has prompted the management to further efforts in the popular five pin competition at this season or before the interest wanes with the advent of the warm, spring days, and with the male bowlers being so well served in this respect, secretary Sam Gangbar feels that the ladies should have their innings and as a tribute to their prowess locally at the games, will stage a "doubles" tournament April 9 to 21, a two weeks competition with no handicaps and open to all lady bowlers of the city in leagues or otherwise.

The entry will be $2.00 per team including bowling worth 25 per cent. of the entries receiving prizes, while a special prize, ten dollars in gold, will be presented to the lady with three high games for the tournament. Entries will be taken up to time of bowling within the dates of the competition.

RUSSIAN AND POLISH QUOTAS EXTENDED

Approximately 4,000 more Immigrants now eligible for Admission

Washington (J. T. A.).—Although the Polish and Russian quotas were announced as exhausted some time ago, a ruling by the Department of Labor now makes possible the entry of 2,500 immigrants from Poland approximately, and 1,500 from Russia.

The opening of the immigration doors to this additional number is due to a reclassification by the Labor Department of Pinsk and Eastern Galicia as part of Poland. Immigrants from Poland therefore, may take advantage of the unfilled quotas of these regions, which is estimated as still having openings for 2,500 persons.

The Labor Department also announced that following a conference of Secretaries Hughes, Hoover and Davis, it has been decided to admit Russians, charging the number of admissibles against the Bessarabian quota.

This latter decision with regard to Bessarabia which was contingent upon whether Bessarabia is Russian or Roumanian territory, is finally determined. Meanwhile Russian immigrants may take advantage of the unfilled Bessarabian quota which is estimated at 1,500.

In conformity with the new rulings, the Secretary of Labor telegraphed to Ellis Island, ordering the admission of 100 immigrants from Poland and several hundred from Russia held for deportation.

The reclassification was urged by Congressman Isaac Siegel of New York.

PERSIAN GOVERNMENT BARS EMIGRATION OF JEWS

Jerusalem (J. T. A.).—In order to prevent the emigration of Jews from Persia, the government of that country has put a ban on all emigration, according to information received by the Vaad Leumi from Teheran.

The issuance of the decree forbidding emigration followed a number of anti-Jewish outbreaks in Persia, which induced a number of Jews there to liquidate their businesses with the intention of settling in Palestine. Reluctant to see the Jews leave, the government issued a decree forbidding the Jews to leave.

Following strenuous protests of this action by Jewish leaders of Persia, the government rescinded the specific Jewish bar, but promulgated a general order barring all emigration.

The Zionist Organization of Persia is therefore asking that the World Zionist Organization use its efforts towards the recall of the order.

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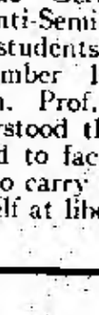

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Prague (J. T. A.).—Many in Prague will have to pay dearly for their anti-Semitism. Lately the Hakenkreuzlers had become addicted to the fad of cutting the Swastika sign (emblem of the anti-Semites) into their coins. The government has now announced that all coins bearing the swastika emblem will lose their currency. As a result, many of the anti-Semites are now possessed of money of value equivalent to their speeches.

Prof. Steinherz, of Prague, who, it will be remembered, refused to abandon his office of Rector Magnificus of the Prague German University, despite the anti-Semitic attitude of a section of the students and of their strike in November last has now decided to resign. Prof. Steinherz desires it clearly understood that he had felt in honour bound to face the attacks against him and to carry out his duties until he felt himself at liberty to resign.

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Judaism Menaced in Soviet Russia

London.—The rising generation of Jews in Russia is in serious danger of growing up atheists, and the entire structure of Judaism in the Soviet realm is being "perilously threatened," as the result of the persecution of the Jewish faith being waged by the Soviet Government.

This is the substance of the sixteen-page statement published to-day by the Joint Foreign Committee of British Jews in reply to one by the Soviet Government explaining its attitude to the Jewish religion.

Pious Jews, the Joint Foreign Committee declares, have been compelled to organize secret classes to instruct their children in the "tenets of their ancestral faith." Many have been sent to prison for nothing more than imparting to their children this religious instruction.

The infractions against religious liberty are comparable to the edicts of the Spanish Inquisition, the statement continues.

Reviewing such incidents as the invasion of the synagogs by agents of the Soviet on Yom Kippur, the "anti-God campaign" carried on with the alleged connivance of the Government, the committee concludes that in the face of such occurrences, it is "impossible to place any credence in the assurance of the Soviet Commissariat that any real liberty of conscience exists in Russia to-day."

The statement also cites the burlesquing of the Jewish high holidays by substituting carnivals and so-called "scientific propagandizing." It denies vigorously the contention of the Soviet that the mass of Jews of Russia approve the "atheistical" policy of the Bolsheviki, and affirms that the great body of Russian Jews are as "averse to their theology as they are to their economics." "There are some Jewish renegades, as there are some Christian renegates, but their number is comparatively small," the statement says.

The correspondence dealing with the religious situation was carried on between Lucien Wolf, Secretary of the Joint Foreign Committee, and the assistant official agent of the Russian Government in London.

Orthodox rabbis of Eastern Europe last summer ordained a fast day throughout Jewry as a protest against the Soviet's campaign against Judaism. Following this, the Soviet Government forwarded a statement to the Jewish Board of Deputies in which the assertion was made that the Russian religious decree had been helpful rather than harmful to the Jews.

"While prohibiting the teaching of the Jewish religion in the Hebrew schools," the Russian statement recently declared, "the Soviet Government at the same time has put an end to the education of millions of children of other faiths in the spirit of religious intolerance and anti-Semitism."

The Jewish synagogs were often hotbeds of agitation against Bolshevism, the Soviet statement added. "While not permitting," said the Soviet representative, "the utilization of the platform of the synagog and the rabbinical office for the incitement of the masses against the Soviet authority, the Soviet Government has at the same time destroyed the pogrom propaganda which went on in the schools and in a considerable section of the churches and chapels."

Referring to the Soviet's prohibition of the "cheder," or Jewish religious school, the Soviet declared that it was the will of the workers and the peasants of Russia that the education of the growing generation should be in the spirit of modern science and of the modern critical world philosophy. The "cheder" is described by the Soviet document as "a survival of the Middle Ages."

Answering the charge that the Soviet Government is taking away from the Jewish population the "consolation and hope of their religion," the Soviet statement declares "that very considerable sections of the Jewish population are more and more decidedly turning away from this 'consolation.'"

Thousands and tens of thousands of men and women workers, the Soviet avers—among them gray-haired men and women—are voluntarily giving up their Sabbath, taking part in anti-religious manifestations, and on Saturdays, instead of going to the synagogs are going to the factories and workshops.

The Soviet denies that there has been any interference with worship in the synagogs, or that there is any religious persecution in Russia. "Those Jewish citizens, it declares, who still adhere to their religion, are not only allowed to practice it openly without hindrance and to preach it under the protection of the Soviet authorities, but are freed from work on their holy days in Soviet institutions and enterprises. There are no religious persecutions in Soviet Russia, and any of its citizens can seek 'consolation and hope' in any religion he pleases."

The statement of the Soviet concluded with an attack upon members of the Jewish Board of Deputies and upon the United States Government.

"During the war," it says, "thousands of people were thrown into the prisons of England—among them also Jewish workers—whose faith would not permit them to take part in the war. Even now there are in the prisons of all the Western States thousands of people for the one crime of having ideas contrary to the interests of the governing classes. Yet the Jewish capitalists sitting in your committee consider this violation of the conscience of citizens, including those of their own faith, quite as in the ordinary course of things. They also do not protest against similar force used against workers (including Jewish workers) on strike in the United States."

Charles Besthoff, of The Gorham Company, New York, died suddenly while at business at the Gorham place, Fifth Avenue, last Saturday morning. Mr. Besthoff will be recalled by many readers of "The American Hebrew" as the head of the firm of Besthoff & Company, organized by his father, and which conducted one of the first shops on Fifth Avenue. In October, 1913, Mr. Besthoff associated himself with The Gorham Company, a position he held until his untimely death last Saturday. Interment took place Tuesday morning at Union Fields Cemetery.

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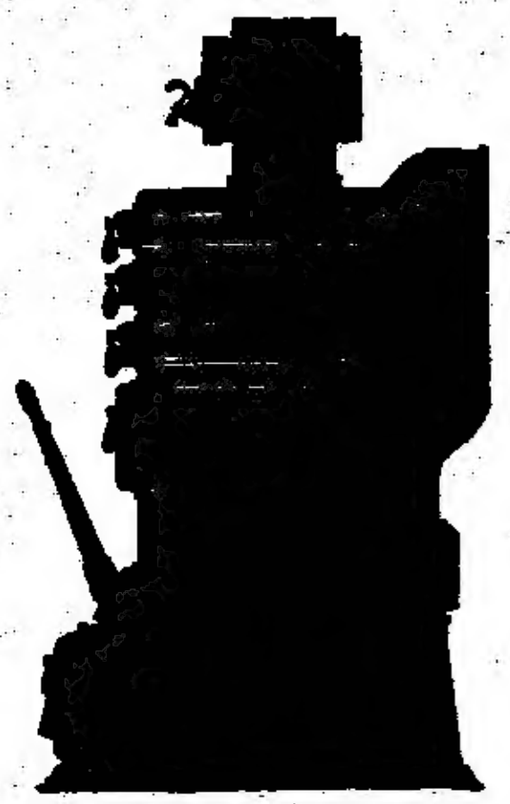

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YIDDISH DRAMA

Peretz Hirshbein, Foremost as a Dramatist of the Jewish Soul.

In New York City, the artistic capital of this western hemisphere, where critics of the drama are called upon to view a new play almost every night, to relieve the monotony of their existence these gentlemen of the pen permit themselves a little facetiousness. Compelled to see many plays, some of them not very good, they find relief by poking fun, either at the play, the author or the actors. The latest stunt is to call attention to the fact that, at the preceding night's opening, at exactly a certain moment a character in the play said a certain thing, that later another character made another trite statement. All, of course, tending to show the banality, the sameness, the monotony of construction and poverty of material, because these remarks are uttered by some one of the characters in several of the plays at the self-same moment.

We do not wish to become facetious at the expense of our Yiddish theatre, but we are strongly tempted to point a similar failing in the usual Yiddish play. The one rare exception to this rule is Peretz Hirshbein's "Green Fields," at the local Yiddish play-house, with the great Ben-Ami in the role of Levi Itschok. It would be difficult to dissociate one from the other. In Ben-Ami, Hirschbein possesses an interpreter who stands alone in his sphere. No one among the Yiddish actors can bring out the poetic beauty, the rare yearning of the Jewish soul as does Ben-Ami. Next season Ben-Ami will continue on the English stage. Ben-Ami has recently joined the Theatre Guild of New York, with whom he is to do three plays.

Peretz Hirshbein, of the younger of the Yiddish literati, easily ranks as one of our foremost poets and dramatists. Hirshbein has written ballads and many prose volumes, but he is probably best known to Jews all over the civilized world as the author of a number of plays. Hirshbein has written over thirty plays, of which some ten have been produced. Aside from several one-act plays, done by literary clubs in this and in the old country, the following plays were done in New York: "An Abandoned Nook" and "The Blacksmith's Daughter," at the Irving Place Theatre, and "The Idle Inn" and "Green Fields" at the Jewish Art Theatre. These four plays have taken their place in the repertoire of every Yiddish theatre, both in this country and abroad. Hirshbein's plays are all romantic folk-comedies. His people are all simple country folk, removed from the turmoil of city life. There is a whimsical quality about his creations that places him in the same rank with Barry. Hirshbein plays are free from melodramatic situations. The life of his characters is simple and free from complexity. An ailing cow, a stolen horse, a mild feud over the rights to a mill course are the extent of his problems.

Yet there is a deep romantic flavor, a dramatic clash, though subdued in tones, that stamps his plays as dramatic masterpieces. In some of his works there is a more strident tone. Passions run freer. Rivalry reaches the stage of open quarrel, as in the "Idle Inn," where a bride is stolen on the wedding night, where swaggering Jews with flashing eyes speak right out. No inferiority complex here. Fancy a Jew with broad shoulders and head held high, who dashes across hill and dale driving wild horses. It even occurs that one of these Jews will visit the barn of his neighbor and steal a pair of coveted animals. Such is the "Idle Inn"; or as in "An Abandoned Nook," which play we see here on April 11. Here is another of his rare romances. Zirel, the daughter of the local grave digger, is in love with Noah, the son of the local mill owner. A rivalry over some property springs up between the heads of the two families. Here Hirshbein permits himself the use of a somewhat harsher tone, but better judgment prevails and the young people are united.

Hirshbein's plays possess another quality not to be found in the conventional Yiddish play. They are plays that afford the Yiddish actors an opportunity for ensemble acting which is very interesting in view of the many pages of press copy we read extolling the wonderful ensemble acting of the Moscow Art Theatre now on tour in the United States.

LOEW'S YONGE STREET

Alice Brady is a South Sea island girl in her latest picture, "The Leopardess," which is being presented with six acts of quality vaudeville, at Loew's Yonge Street theatre next week. As Tiare, a half-caste, this popular actress capably displays her ability for emotional acting. Never before in her career has Miss Brady had a role of such emotional power as she evinces in this picture. The novelty of the production comes when this outwardly untamable South Sea maid is taken to civilization and presented in New York society. How would such a girl act? Satisfy your curiosity and go to Loew's during the run of "The Leopardess." Edward Langford plays opposite the star, while Montagu Love is an unusually forceful villain.

Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach, the well-known American book expert, purchased nearly everything of outstanding merit among the Elizabethan rarities in the Britwell Court library, which were on sale at Sotheby's, London, last week. The sale brought $315,000, of which the American contributed $270,000.

David Belasco, leading American theatrical producer, has just closed in New York a record run of his much-discussed "Merchant of Venice." Mr. Belasco feels highly elated over the fact that the Warfield "Shylock" reached ninety-two performances, which nearly doubles the record made years ago by Daly.

Berlin (J. T. A.).—A new street just laid out in Berlin, will be named "Rathenau Strasse," the Berlin City Council has decided.

The proposal by the Centre and Democratic parties to re-name the Berliner Strasse in Charlottenbergsuburb as the Erzberger Strasse, and the Dorf Strasse in Templehof as the Rathenau Strasse were rejected by the votes of the Right and the Communists.

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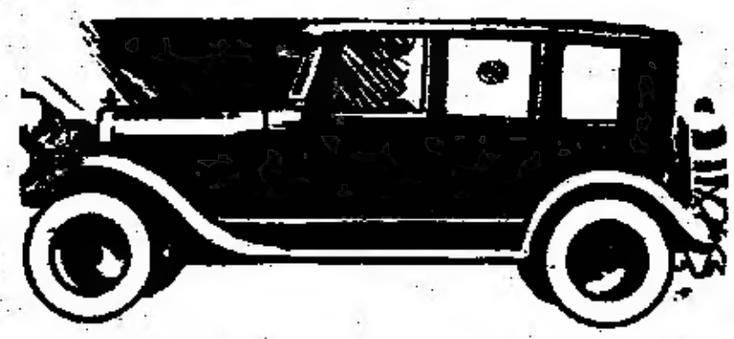

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Temple Emanu El Brotherhood.—On Tuesday evening, March 27th, the Temple Emanu El Brotherhood met for its regular monthly dinner and program. Mr. Clarence Michaels, president of the Brotherhood was in the chair, and the largest assembly in the history of the Brotherhood, about ninety men, were present. An excellent repast prepared by a special committee of ladies was enjoyed. The evening was unusual in every way, Mr. Arthur Schalek, chairman of the entertainment committee, having provided an unusual program. Through the courtesy of Mr. Abby Wright, Gus Edwards, headliner of the "Princess," was the bright, particular star of the entertainment, and with him, Sandy, the little Scotch singer and dancer, who has been taken under the protection of Mr. Gus Edwards as his big brother when Sandy and his family were held for deportation from Ellis Island. Gus Edwards is now his official guardian and big brother, and his interest in Sandy's career harmonizes admirably with the aims of the Brotherhood. Little Sandy sang and danced to the delight of the Brotherhood, and Gus Edwards entertained with a series of songs, among which was the hit of the season, "Wonderful You." The Metropolitan Trio orchestra of the Windsor, which came to the Temple through the courtesy of Mr. Davidson, was under the leadership of Mr. Salter. It gave a splendid program of classical music. Mr. Salter particularly aroused enthusiasm by his rare violin solos.

Nr. Nathan Gordon was the speaker of the evening. He took as his subject, "A Trip to Viceland." His talk to the women of the city had roused the community's interest, and he rose to speak to an audience keyed to the highest pitch. Mr. Gordon attacked the commercialized vice even more frankly at this meeting than at the women's club. The statistics that he presented were little less than astonishing, and constitute an affront to the decency, morality and health of the community. For an hour, Mr. Gordon spoke to a crowded room that listened in absolute silence, and when he finished a burst of applause greeted his address.

A resolution was unanimously adopted by the Brotherhood to support the Committee of Sixteen in its laudable efforts to suppress the commercialized vice and dope traffic in Montreal. Copies will be sent to the Committee of Sixteen, the newspapers and the City Hall.

Attendance prizes were donated by Mr. Max. Borkowitz, Mr. David Davis and Mr. George Blumenthal. Reports were presented by Mr. Joseph Horwitz of the social service committee, and by Mr. Aaron Snyder of the bulletin committee. Many guests were present, and the meeting indicated the high water mark of interest, enjoyment and enthusiasm.

The Seder Supper.—On Saturday evening, March 31st, the annual congregational Seder was observed at the Temple. After a brief service in the Temple proper, at 6.30 p.m., the congregation assembled in the lecture hall. The Sisterhood had, as usual, taken charge of the Seder Supper arrangements, under the convenership of Mrs. Gustav Fischel, president of the Temple Sisterhood. The special committee that assisted was as follows: Mrs. Roskam, Mrs. Lewinson, Mrs. A. Simon, Mrs. Dryer, Mrs. Charles Goldstein, Mrs. A Schwartz, Mrs Sol. Vineberg, Miss R. Schalek, Miss Muriel Goldstein, Mrs. Kuppenheimer, Mrs. Fischel, Mrs. M. Silver, Mrs. George Goldstein and Mrs M. Levi. One hundred and thirty-six people were seated at the beautifully arranged Seder table where candles glowed in silver sticks and flowers in silver vases added a touch of colour to the snowy cloth. Rabbi Merritt gave the Seder Service assisted by some of the children of the religious school. Lillian Wolfe, John Kuppenheimer, Alice Bercovitch, Alice Sommer and Golda Vineberg participated. Songs led by the Temple Quartet were enthusiastically sung by the assembled feasters. Judge Jacob Asher of New Haven made a fine appeal for the afflicted European Jewry. Mr. Maxwell Goldstein presented a vote of thanks to Judge Asher. Rabbi Merritt thanked the ladies in charge of the Seder Supper and added a word of regret for the absence of the convener, Mrs. G. Fischel, on account of illness. Mr. Maxwell Goldstein also spoke. There has never been a finer congregational spirit shown than at this Seder.

The Dramatic Circle.—Arrangements are under way for the organization of a dramatic circle under the auspices of the Temple Sisterhood. The nucleus of the new circle will be the cast that put on the very successful operetta, "The Pennant." At this meeting, officers will be elected, membership list made up, rules established and a committee appointed to select play materials.

Judge Jacob Asher of Worcester, Mass., prominent member of the Grand Lodge of B'nai Brith District No. 1, who arrived in Montreal last week was unofficially received by Mr. Max Bernfeld, president of the Mount Royal Lodge B'nai Brith. Judge Asher was asked to visit Montreal by the American Jewish Relief Committee to explain the present conditions in Europe, where the program of reconstruction introduced by the Joint Distribution Committee is bringing Jewish life back to a state of normalcy.

During his stay in Montreal, Judge Asher made no appeal for funds, his object being merely to acquaint Canadian Jews with the prevailing conditions amongst European Jews. Canada has not had a campaign for relief funds during the last five years because of the general depression in business circles. He proposed, however, within a very short while to conduct an intensive campaign along modern scientific lines, and it is hoped that a considerable amount will be contributed in Canada towards the five million dollars that are needed to cope with conditions in Europe. Fifty-five millions have already been collected. While in Montreal, Judge Asher's program was as follows:

Temple Emanu El, Seder, Saturday night; New Adath Jerusalem, Sunday morning; B'nai Jacob synagog, Sunday morning; Spanish and Portuguese synagog, Sunday evening services; Beth Jehuda synagog, Shaar Hashomayim synagog, Monday morning.

Judge Asher hopes to return within the course of the next few months to complete plans for the Big Campaign.

The Mount Royal Lodge B'nai Brith are giving a dance at the Mount Royal Hotel on the evening of April 11. Excellent concert entertainment has been secured for the evening.

The members of the local chapter of B'nai Brith are very active this year. A theatre night is being planned to take place early in May, the proceeds to go towards re-establishing the summer camp that is looked after by lodge members.

Another May feature is Synagog Night—when special services will be read at the Spanish and Portuguese synagog for the B'nai Brith.

Montrealers were indeed fortunate this week, in that they had with them Jacob Ben. Ami who is acclaimed the finest actor of the day. Ben. Ami scored a tremendous success at the Orpheus theatre when he appeared in "Green Fields." The play is a delightfully romantic folk comedy by Pevetz Hirshbeirs. Hirshbeirs, be it known, has something of the fantastic whimsicality and delicious sentiment of the inimitable Barrie. Ben. Ami will appear at the Orpheus until Sunday evening in "Samson and Delihah" playing the title role. There will be a matinee on Saturday.

Mr. Louis Salomon presided at the annual meeting of Talmud Torah which took place recently in the Baron de Hirsch Institute. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: Hon. Pres., Sir Mortimer B. Davis; Pres., Samuel Wener; Vice-Pres., Louis Salomon, Hiram Levy, Louis Lehner, Treas., Nathan Sloves; Rec. Sec., Adolph Gardner; Chairman of Executive Committee, Lionel Coviensky; Chairman of Educational Committee, Rabbi Hirsch Cohen; Chairman Finance Committee, Abraham Z. Cohen; Chairman House Committee, Hiram Lehner; Chairman Ways and Means Committee, Benjamin M. Weiner; Chairman Subscription Committee, Samuel Kahn.

The next meeting of the Maccabean Zionists will take place in the form of a "Social and Dance" at Zionist headquarters on April 15. The speaker of the evening will be Mr. A. J. Livinson.

A committee has recently been formed by a number of Jewish women who believe that the time has come when the men and women of Montreal must be forced to face the needs of Federation. Those women under the leadership of Mrs. J. Elkins are planning a personal campaign of service, a drive for new subscribers so that every Jewish citizen will be informed of the true state of affairs by a personal visitor, and will be given an opportunity to contribute. Associated with Mrs. J. Elkins are the following ladies: Mrs. J. D. Kuppenheimer, Mrs. E. M. Bliner both as Vice-Chairman, and Mrs. A J. Alexander, Mrs. A. G. Morris, Mrs. R. Doigs, Mrs. Jas. Cohen, Mrs. J. Horwitz, Mrs. B. Rubin, Mrs. A. Illievitz, Mrs. E. Leopold, Mrs. A. Simon, Mrs. S. Leopold, Mrs. J. A. Jacobs, Mrs. O. Kerner, Mrs. S. M. Ogulnik, Mrs. El Lesser, Mrs. A. Z. Cohen, Mrs. Gus Fischel, Mrs. Jas. Kruger, Mrs. Jas. Levinson.

Mr. Honingman, the inventor of a wonderful new method of speech with the eyes for the deaf and dumb, will demonstrate his invention at a ball to be held in the Mount Royal Hotel on April the seventh. There will be a number of musical items. Miss Blanche Gottlieb, the well-known and popular soprano will be the soloist. Mde Clarence I. De Roba and Mr. and Mrs S. W. Jacobs have extended their patronage to the entertainment. Tickets are two dollars each.

The province will shortly take steps to reorganize the Juvenile Court, it was definitely stated by Premier Taschereau, replying to a delegation of the non-Catholic Juvenile Court Committee

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which interviewed him at the Government offices yesterday. A memorandum placing the recommendation of the committee before the Government was presented by Nathan Gordon, K.C.

The delegation was made up of a number of men and women interested in social reform, among them, Rabbi Max J. Merritt of Temple Emanu El.

Addressing the regular bi-monthly meeting of the B'Nai Jacob Young People's Society, Mr. Nathan Gordon expressed the opinion that the recent discovery by the director of the New York Metropolitan Museum of the tomb of a common Egyptian farmer was more important than the discovery of the tomb of King Tutankhamen. The articles found in the king's tomb were well known to archaeologists of twenty-five years ago, and expressed the same thought of death as revealed in all the tombs found in the Valley of the Kings, while the writings unearthed with the tomb of the Egyptian farmer showed the mind of the ordinary man of the people and revealed how the people of ancient Egypt lived, acted and thought.

Mr. Gordon outlined the history and beliefs of Egypt, showing how the thought of death was apparently uppermost in the minds of its people. To this, he contrasted the almost complete silence of the Jewish Bible on the subject of death, and pointed out it as a good feature.

Judge Jacob Asher of Worcester, Mass., was a guest at the Mount Royal Hotel last week.

Master Samuel Reschkovsky was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wolofsky, Esplanade Ave., for the Passover.

The wedding was solemnized yesterday afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents, of Miss Pearl Goldstein, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Goldstein to Mr. Isidore Ortenberg, of New York, formerly of Montreal. The bride, who was attended by her mother and Mrs. S. Ortenberg, was given away by her father, while the bridegroom was attended by Dr. S. Ortenberg. A supper followed the ceremony, after which Mr. and Mrs. I. Ortenberg left for New York. Rabbi Rosenberg performed the marriage ceremony.

Mr. Mark Workman and his daughter Miss Workman and Miss Daisy Workman, returned this week from New York, where they spent a couple of weeks, following a month's cruise to the West Indies. Mr. Workman is leaving to-morrow for a fishing trip to Florida.

Mr. Joe Magid who spent a week at Ste. Margaret's has returned to town.

Miss Raya Goldman who is studying art in New York, is spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Leah Goldman.

Mr. Michael Garber spent last week-end in New York.

Miss Naomi Miller, Lachine, entertained at the tea-hour last Thursday.

Judge Jacob Asher was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lyon Cohen, Seder night.

Mr. Ben Robinson spent last week in Portland, Maine.

Mr. Martin Rottinau has just returned from New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Braunstein, 43 Drolet Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty to Mr. D. F. Marcovitch, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Marcovitch, 826 Henri Julien.

Mr. A. Ellison announces the engagement of his daughter, Kate, to Mr. Samuel Warshaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Warshaw, of Albany, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Leibovitch, 58 Roy St., announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty, to Mr. Sam Brochovitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Brochovitz, 2249 St. Lawrence St. The marriage to take place early in June.

Mr. J. Rueger wishes to announce the marriage of Jennie Moskovitz, to Jack Rueger, of Montreal. Wedding took place privately March 28, 1923.

Born on February 22, 1923, at the Montreal Maternity Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wiseman, a son, Sidney.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Shulman, Montrose Apts., on Monday, March 26, at the Montreal Maternity Hospital, a son.

Hamilton

B. J. S. C.

The regular meeting of the B. J. S. C. was held on Sunday evening, March 25, at the club rooms. The feature of the evening was the amateur contest, the business meeting being considerably shortened therefore. Mrs. Stossel, on behalf of the Keren Hayesod asked the members to assist in the coming campaign, outlining briefly the urgent need for volunteers to canvass for subscriptions. Quite a number volunteered their services.

Mr. Jack Sherman took charge of the amateur contest, in which the following took part: Miss Dorothy Lax, piano selections and dancing: Miss Gertrude Sender, vocal solos; Messrs. Louis Sharpe, Jack Shapiro and Barney Wright in a skit entitled, "Chasing Chickens:" Messrs. Bert Challem, Alex. Anderson and Cliff Wooten, in a sketch entitled Mr. Shean & Co. Three prizes were awarded, the first won by Miss Dorothy Lax, the second by Messrs. Gallagher and Shean and the third by Messrs. Sharpe and Co. On behalf of the B. J. S. C., Mr. Sherman thanked all those who took part in the contest, and the judges. Thanks are due Mr. Jack Sherman for the capable manner in which he took charge and also for his own splendid entertainment of songs, assisted at the piano by Miss Nina Zola.

The campaign for the Keren Hayesod which is to be held in Hamilton on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 10, 11, 12, is going rapidly ahead. Rabbi Berger addressed the Anshe Sholom Congregation on Sunday morning, and on Monday, the Hess Street congregation. Next Sunday he will address the Beth Jacob congregation. Enthusiasm is prevalent in the entire community, and a huge success is anticipated. Dr. Alexander Goldstein will be in Hamilton during the campaign and will address a mass meeting to be held on Thursday evening, April 12.

The Seder service which is held every Pesach by the scholars of the Anshe Sholom Hebrew school was held on Sunday evening in the vestry rooms of the Anshe Sholom synagog. An unusually large number of children took part in the service, which was conducted by Rabbi Berger. Many of the parents were present.

The Hadassah held an enjoyable bridge party on Wednesday afternoon in the United Hebrew building. A number of members and their friends were present. An appeal for workers for the coming campaign for the Keren Hayesod was made by Rabbi Berger and Mr. Sweet, fifty ladies volunteered to assist and help to make the campaign a success. The hostess for the affair were Mesdames S. Needle, Rose Levy, L. Stossel, and H. Frieman.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cohen, Buffalo, were visitors in town over the holidays, the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Cohen.

Mrs. Harry Vineberg of Montreal is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Bloom.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hirsh and Paughter of Montreal are visitors in town, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bloom, Herkimer Street.

The marriage was celebrated in Los Angeles, Calif., on Sunday, March 25, of Miss Myra Harris, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris, formerly of Hamilton, to Mr. Nathan Buckholtz of Los Angeles. Miss Dorothy Epstein of Hamilton and Miss Sara Buckholtz, sister of the groom attended the bride. Mr. Abel Yerkes of New York was groomsman.

Miss Ida Weintraub, Buffalo, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. Kulick over the holiday.

Mr. Louis Newman of Rochester is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Newman, Birch Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mack, London, Ont., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Newman over the holidays.

Miss Freda Schriber, Rochester, is a visitor in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Newman.

Miss Sara Kulick, Barton Street, entertained on Monday evening at her home, in honor of her guest Miss Ida Weintraub of Buffalo. Cards and music were enjoyed. A dainty lunch was served.

The marriage of Russel Newman, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Newman of Hamilton to Miss Marion Linhofs of Detroit, took place on Tuesday, March 15, in Detroit. The couple are spending the honeymoon in New York and Atlantic City. On their return they will reside in Detroit.

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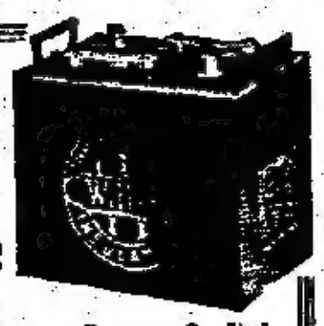
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Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bilsky, of Montreal, and their daughters, Evelyn and Anna, are spending Passover with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Freiman.

Mrs. A. W. Jacobs, of Montreal, and her daughter Hannah, are the guests of Mrs. Jacob's mother, Mrs. M. Bilsky.

Mr. Sam Lepofsky spent the week-end with his parents in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crawford, of Montreal, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Crawford's father, Mr. M. Davidson.

Miss Sally Fisher has come from Middleton, N.Y., to visit her sister, Mrs. A. Pinco.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Sabloff of Montreal are the guests of Mrs. Sabloff's mother, Mrs. R. Kaminsky, over the Passover holidays.

Mrs. I. Zivian, with her little daughter Fay, has left for Toronto to spend Passover with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Yaffe.

Mr. Charles Bochner has joined his parents in Toronto for Passover.

Miss Mary Slonemsky has returned home from an extended visit to relatives in Chicago, London, Toronto and Hamilton.

Mr. Irving Freedman of Montreal spent the week-end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Harry Freedman.

Mr. I. Sugarman has returned to town after a week's stay in New York.

Preparations are under way for a big bridge party to be held at the residence of Mrs. A. H. Coplan, Clemow Avenue, as a wind-up to the Hadassah social affairs for this season.

Samuel Rzeschewsky the brilliant Jewish boy of eleven years, who has made his name as a remarkable chess player, is in Ottawa this week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Frieman. He is playing a number of the most prominent players in Ottawa, handling as many as twenty games simultaneously

Madame Teresa Wolfe-Rashkis, a former Ottawa girl, made a most successful appearance in a vocal recital at the Town Hall, New York City, under the direction of the Music League of America. The New York critics speak in laudatory terms of the artiste's fine singing at the recital. Her early musical training was received in Ottawa under the direction of Mrs. E. Sanders. In New York she studied singing with Madame Guthman-Rice at the Metropolitan opera school, where she had been a scholarship pupil.

Winnipeg

Miss Tuady Coppleman, having completed her training at the Children's Hospital, is at present the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Coppleman, Lockport, Man.

Mrs. Harry Genser and children, Milan Apts., left the city, Sunday, March 25th, for Los Angeles, Cal., where she will be met by her husband, and will reside in future.

Miss Sara Levin, Kenmore Apts., returned home this week, having spent the past two months visiting in Vancouver, B. C.

Miss Molly Finesilver, Wolseley Ave., entertained at a delightful bridge, Saturday evening, March 24, in honor of the Misses Jessie and Rose Crystal, Edmonton, Alta. Miss Sadie Black was the prize winner.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin D. Lyone, McMillan Ave., announce the marriage of their daughter, Sophie, to Isadore Allen, on Thursday, March 22, in Vancouver, B.C. Following their honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Allan will reside in Vancouver.

Mrs. B. Levin and little son, arrived in the city this week from Vancouver, and are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Levin, Kenmore Apartments.

Mrs. P. Matoff accompanied by Mrs. S. Bronfman, arrived home this week after spending a short time in Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. Max Heppner, Roslyn Apts., returned home Sunday, March 25, from Vancouver, where she went to attend the marriage of her sister Miss Sophie Lyone to Mr. Isadore Allen.

Miss Margaret Narovlansky, Donald Street, was hostess to a large number of her friends at a very enjoyable tea, Sunday afternoon, March 25. Presiding over the prettily appointed tea table centered with roses and carnations, were Miss Clarice Udow who poured the tea and Miss Freda Rosner cut the ices. Those assisting in the tea room were the Misses Miriam Udow, Sophie Zimmerman and Sara Finkleman.

Mrs. Frank Huffman, George Street, arrived in the city this week, having spent the past few months in Montreal and New York, returning by way of Chicago and Minneapolis.

The Misses Jessie and Rose Crystal, Edmonton, Alta., who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. Levi, Lincoln Apts., for the past two weeks, left for their home this week.

Mrs. N. J. Weidman, St. Elma Apts., entertained a number of the younger set at a delightful birthday party Sunday afternoon, March 25, in honor of her daughter, Zelda. The afternoon was pleasantly spent in games and music. The prize winners for the various games were Elise Green, Emily Rosenthal, and Beatrice Corbin. Later in the afternoon tea was served at a very prettily arranged table including a dainty favor for each guest. Those present were the Misses Elise Green, Brownie Udow, Fairy Udow, Pearl Rosenblat, Evelyn Finkle, Annette Abremovitch, Annette Lurie, Betty Weidman, Bessie Spivak, Clarice Druckman, Evelyn Brand, Ruth Robinson, Audrey Steinkopf, Ruth Aronovitch, Heloise Cohn, Mona Lyons, Beatrice Corbin, Ethel Ginsberg, Roselle Ginsberg, Emily Rosenthal, Gwendolin Bond, Margie Van Praagh, and Esther Myers.

Dr. Bercovitch, and little daughter, have returned from their vacation in California and have taken up residence at 83 Edmonton Street.

Mr. Harold A. Farber, Toronto, Ont., was a visitor in the city last week-end, and while here was a guest at the Royal Alexandra Hotel.

Arrangements for the Eretz Israel Mark which the Winnipeg Chapter of Hadassah is holding at the Talmud Torah hall on the 15, 16, and 17 of April are almost completed, and will prove to be a very interesting and enjoyable affair to all who attend. One of the features for the ladies is the bridge to be held on the afternoon of Monday, 16, under the auspices of the Ezrah Chapter of the Hadassah.

The Shaarey Zedek Sisterhood entertained the University undergraduates with their fathers at the Synagog on Monday evening, March 26, when a most enjoyable time was spent.

Mr. Max Steinkopf, president of the congregation, and one of the earliest Jewish graduates of Manitoba University, gave a talk on "The Jewish Student in the University." Mrs. Eva Abremovitch, the first Jewish graduate, was also present. Rabbi Samuel pointed out that the congregation had a considerable portion of its members interested in higher education, and that this interest should express itself in the fostering of the aims of the Menorah society. Miss Frieda contributed a musical program. This combination of father and son, and daughter and dad was eminently successful.

Mr. A. M. Shinbane gave an address on "Immigration" at the weekly luncheon of the Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association. His speech, a skilfully constructed argument, was greatly appreciated, and made a profound impression.

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